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Lightning Plays Costly Pranks In Recent Storm

Wild and Erratic Damage to Home of Mr. and Mrs. Lyman of Vulcan Weird Wreckage

The adage "lightning never strikes twice in the same place" is an old one and one that Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Lyman of Vulcan, fervently hope is true, for on Wednesday night lightning certainly paid them a violent and terrifying, if brief visit. Shortly after Mr. and Mrs. Lyman, who farm south-west of town, had retired at ten o'clock, during an electric storm, a bolt of lightning and a clap of thunder occurring almost simultaneously rocked the house to its foundation. Striking the aerial of a radio set the bolt swept through the house and apparently went out through the open bedroom window, tearing a large hole in the screen. Much weird and freak damage was left in the wake of storm. The radio set was, of course, a total wreck; the lighting and water system in the house was burned completely out; 27 panes of glass were broken, plaster was torn loose; curtains and drapes burned off the windows; the telephone torn from the wall; dishes were broken, one pitcher having a hole left in it that looked as if made by a bullet. A fire was started between the front room and the kitchen but Mr. Lyman succeeded in bringing it under control before it had made much headway. Even casings of doors and windows in the rooms most severely damaged, were torn off. Neither Mr. nor Mrs. Lyman received injuries more serious than a bad case of nerves.

BERRYWATER NEWS

Miss Jessie Sinclair of Calgary, is spending holidays at her mother's home here.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Baden of Calgary, were week-end guests at the home of Mr. Hugh and Miss Gladys Baden.

Mr. and Mrs. D. B. Smith and son were Calgary visitors last week.

A demonstration of wartime preserving and dehydration of vegetables was given by Miss Staples of Olds, at the home of Mrs. Wilson Oldfield, Wednesday, July 14th. There was a very good attendance and many interesting and useful points were assimilated by those present and all felt the demonstration to be very worthwhile.

The next meeting of the Berrywater U.F.W.A. will be held at the home of Mrs. H. C. Douglas, July 28th. This date is subject to change, if necessary.

Miss Betty Smith is attending Church of Christ Young People's camp at Midnapore.

The home of Mr. and Mrs. W. Oldfield was the scene of a very gala gathering when many friends of Mr. James Phelan met to bid him farewell prior to his leaving to take up duties in the R.C.A.F.

The evening was spent in games and dancing and after lunch, served by the hostess, assisted by several of the ladies present, Mr. Shouldice, on behalf of those present, presented Jim with a fountain pen and purse of money, to which Jim suitably responded.

Mr. and Mrs. Ross Walker and family and Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Munson and family are holidaying at Radium.

Mr. Lou Taylor, guest of Mr. and Mrs. McRoberts, has returned to his home at Pincher Creek.

Mrs. William Doeling has returned to her home at Victoria after having spent an extended visit with her parents here.

Czechs Do Honor To G. R. Howsam

Air Vice Marshal G. R. Howsam, O.C. No. 4 Training Command, was recently presented with honorary wings in recognition of distinguished service rendered to the Czechoslovakian air force in Western Canada. Presentation was made by Air Vice Marshal Janousek on behalf of the Czecho minister of national defence, London.

"It is our mark of gratitude for the personal interest shown by A. V. M. Howsam in our instructors and students under his command," said the Czech chief, who is now on a tour of Czech detachments training in Alberta and Saskatchewan.

"Our men are working in a happy atmosphere and deeply appreciate the kindness and help given them by everyone."

Unlike the wings which are presented to R.C.A.F. trainees on completion of their service flying training the Czech wings are normally worn by Czech fliers after they have completed a year of operational flying with one of their own squadrons.

Advance in Sicily Bombs Fall on Rome

Specially Trained Fliers Spare Shrines of Sacred City But Shatter Other Ttargets. Sicilian Resistance Weakens. Russia Launching Strong Summer Offensive

At the same time that British, American and Canadian forces are attacking Sicily, Russia is conducting a smashing counter attack near Orel, and the Allies are speeding up air attacks over occupied Europe from the west. This combined effort now in progress, is tightening up the offensive on Hitler.

A most sensational development has been the terrific air raid on Rome. Specially trained American airmen dropped hundreds of tons of bombs on the "Eternal City," the first raid which it has suffered since the start of the war. The air crews had been trained for weeks in locating shrines and churches, so that these cherished spots might be avoided, and attacks centred on other objectives. At the same time leaflets were scattered, pointing out that none of the sacred edifices had been harmed. The city has already been overcrowded by swarms of Italians seeking sanctuary and air raid shelters are far from adequate to accommodate the masses. Railway yards, airports, were demolished and transportation lines disrupted. The Allies "tipped off" the Italians that the capital would be raided in daylight, and the people could see for themselves that religious shrines were not attacked. Amongst the precision men bombing Rome were veterans of the American raid on Tokyo. Little opposition was encountered. Doolittle commanded the raid.

Axis resistance is crumbling as the Allied held area extends over Sicily. On all sectors in which they are engaged Canadian, British and American troops are making progress.

The Canadian First Division is under command of Major-General Simonds. Units of Canadian forces have been attacking the enemy's western flank towards Mount Etna and are engaged with British and American troops in capturing other key points. The long monotonous trainng of the Canadian forces is "paying off" in the strength and spirit with which they are doing their part in the thrusts into Sicily. Heavy fighting has been in progress round Catania with the enemy troops dropping back to Messina, the north-east peak of Sicily. Towns and villages have fallen to the Allies, many of these offering the way in which Germany has left ing little resistance and indignant at Italian forces to bear the brunt of invasion.

R. A. F. Bombings

In conjunction with action over Sicily and Italy, is the speeding up of R.A.F. attacks over Germany. Attacks from North Africa also have practically wiped out Naples and plunged deep into Italy. From the north the big bombers of the R.A.F. and R.C.A.F. have been crossing the Alps into northern points of Italy. American bombers have been over Germany in the daytime and R.A.F.-R.C.A.F. at night. Production in the Ruhr has been cut in half, and round-the-clock bombing is demoralizing to industry and civil population. Nazi airports and shipping have been objects of attack and in northwest Germany railway targets have been heavily bombed

Russian Attacks

A revival of Russian strength has brought rapid advance round Moscow with Soviet armies on the attack from Leningrad to the Caucasus. 130 villages have been recaptured recently and Russians are closing in on Orel. Artillery is within range of the German central base of Orel. For some time the Nazi armies have been battering furiously on the Orel-Kursk front, but the tide of battle is turning. This is the first time the Russians have gone on the offensive in midsummer, and their timing coincides with the second front of the Allies. Losses on both sides have been heavy, with Germans squandering tremendous power in vain effort to shatter the Soviet lines. It is claimed that the Germans lost 50,000 men, 2500 tanks and 1000 planes in the recent fighting. This attack is regarded as a supreme gamble on the part of Hitler against the advice of his command. But after absorbing all the Nazis had to give, the Red armies went on the offensive, and are now approaching Orel, 200 miles south of Moscow.

In the Pacific

In the northern Solomons, U.S. bombers have sunk seven Japanese ships, and U.S. troops have been advancing tdward Munda, the big Jap airbase on New Georgia. The battle of the central Solomons continues with Japs having no opportunity to get set. Jungle fighting resolves itself into grim hand-to-hand combat as every foot of ground is contested.

Australians are advancing in New Guinea, meeting the Japs in direct combat. In a 2000 mile round trip fires at Macassar. This is almost as fires at Macassar. This is almost as long a flight as that made on Wake Island by aircraft based at Hawaii. More than 200 Allied planes raided the Solomons this week-end, and Allied airpower in the Pacific is gradually approaching in force the devastating attacks in Europe.

Brief Items of Local Interest

The members of the women's organizations in Vulcan and district, wish to thank the Officer Commanding, Section Officer Coyle, and her assistants in the Women's Division of No. 19 Service Flying Training School of the Commonwealth Air Training Command for their kind hospitality on the occasion of the "At Home" held at the Vulcan Airport on Wednesday, 14th July. A most enjoyable afternoon was spent in viewing the various activities of the W.D. and refreshments were exceedingly welcome.

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Miss Ruth Deans is spending a holiday with close relatives in Spokane, Washington.

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Miss Nancy Burke was a recent Calgary visitor.

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Harry Donald Wismer has joined the Canadian Active Army.

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Mrs. Eleanor Davidson of Calgary, was a week-end guest at the home of her parents Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Hill.

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Miss Doreen Hill accompanied Mr. and Mrs. G. Jones and Dorothy Jean to Banff for a short holiday.

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Mr. and Mrs. Harry Conrad have returned from a holiday spent at Waterton and other points in southern Alberta.

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Mrs. Roland of Edmonton, is visiting her daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Jack McFadden of Ensign for two weeks, while on her way home from holidays in B.C.

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Friends of Mrs. E. G. Loxton will be pleased to learn she is up and around again after her recent illness.

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Mr A. Ruark of the Soldiers and Airmen's Christian Association will conduct services in the United Church on Sunday, July 25th at 11 a.m.

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Mrs. Jerry Vian, of Brant, has been a patient in the Holy Cross Hospital this week.

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It would be very much appreciated if the person who borrowed the Spray Pump from the Vulcan Co-Op would return same immediately to Mr. L. F. Dawson.

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Mrs. A. T. Martin left Tuesday for a holiday at Banff.

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Mr. and Mrs. W. Hiltz, were accompanied home from the Stampede by their daughter, Mrs. A. Setter of Calgary.

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The pictures of Vulcan and district boys and girls on active service have been arranged and put on display in a store window by F. M. Anderson. Only 35 out of some 235 are in the collection so bring in your pictures. You may leave them at Andersons store, The Legion or The Advocate office. Put the name and rank on each picture.

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Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Allan and family accompanied by Mrs. Forsythe, left last Friday for a two weeks visit at Banff.

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Mr. and Mrs. D. E. Lilly are vacationing at the west coast.

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Miss Ruth Clark of the Vulcan telephone staff is spending her holidays with friends in Edmonton.

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Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Spaeth and baby daughter, Lynn, visited at the George Stott home in the Valley on Sunday.

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Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Morley have recently, returned from Edmonton, where they visited with their son Wallace who is receiving treatment in a hospital there.

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BLINDING SNOWSTORM IN JULY

The weatherman apparently got his seasons mixed. While motoring to Banff from Calgary last Sunday, July 11th, George Dingwall and John Andrews drove through a blinding snowstorm. They had the car heater on all the way to Banff. From three to four inches of snow fell during the storm.

Mrs. Campbell of Innisfail has been a guest at the home of her daughter, Mrs. D. Murray and also of Mrs. Dobbs Sr.

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Mr. and Mrs. H. Ulrich are holidaying at Radium Hot Springs.

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Friends of Mrs. Harry Roebuck will be sorry to learn she is a patient in a Calgary hospital.

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Mr. and Mrs. Jim Hampton of Royalties, spent the week-end renewing acquaintances in the district.

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Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Anderson left on Sunday for a holiday at Banff.

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Mrs. J. Dobbs and daughter, Marline are spending a couple of weeks in Calgary.

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Q.M.S., F. L. Simington of Edmonton, is spending a two week furlough at his home here.

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Mr. and Mrs. McAllister and son Cauley accompanied by Mr. Roy Clarkson and Mr. W. Clarkson are vacationing at Radium.

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Members of the Ladies' Auxiliary to the Canadian Legion are reminded the regular meeting will be held in the Legion hall, Thursday, July 29th at 8:30.

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Mrs. W. F. Allen of Calgary, spent several days last week as the guest of Mr. and Mrs. George Monkman.

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Mrs. C. Bancroft of Calgary is a guest this week at the Ben Graham home.

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The Advocate can still send papers to boys on active service overseas if they are bona-fide paid-up subscribers.

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Capt. Donald Carson is spending a short leave at the home of his parents Dr. and Mrs. G. M. Carson.

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Mrs. O. Brownlee and children of Foremost are visiting with relatives and friends in the district.

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Mrs. Benjamin, a former Vulcan resident is a guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. O. A. Dahl.

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Mr. and Mrs. A. McIver and family have moved into the R. W. Simington house recently.

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Mrs. G. Davey was a Carmangay visitor last week, where she attended the Stampede.

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Major and Mrs. C. R. Robson are holidaying at Waterton.

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Mr. and Mrs. Carlson and family who have recently moved to town, have taken up residence in the Deal house.

Patronize the merchants who advertise. Their advertisements are an invitation to you to visit their stores.

KIRKCALDY

Mrs. C. Short and family, of Lethbridge, are guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Todd.

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Miss Pauline Malakoff returned to Calgary after spending a short holiday here with her mother and sister.

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Miss Kathleen Colwell has returned from Three Hills where she attended the Bible Institute Conference.

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Mr. and Mrs. C. Hollister and daughter Betty, attended the Carmangay Stampede on Friday. Mrs. J. Walker and Mr. and Mrs. Wilhite were also Stampede visitors.

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The recent hailstorm did considerable damage to crops and gardens in the district.

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Mrs. Henry Todd was a Lethbridge visitor last week.

Hail has already done damage round Camrose, Penhold, Carbon, Drumheller, Didsbury and Irricana.

A Canadian Gallup poll on divorce reveals that 27% of the Canadian public thinks it is too easy to get a divorce in Canada. 24% think it is too hard. 32% think it is about right and 17% are undecided. There are 42% of French-Canadians think it is too easy, and 23% English Canadians think it is too hard.

Hon. James Gardiner announces that several thousand farmers from Eastern Canada will come west this fall to help with the western harvest.

Hogs remained steady at $15.40 all last week for B1's rail grade.

Buy War Savings Stamps today.

Many Tasks Fall to the Women's Division

People of District Visit Vulcan Flying School. See Scope of Services

On Wednesday, July 14th, the Women's Division of the R.C.A.F. at No. 19, S.F.T.S. entertained approximately 250 women from the surrounding towns and districts by taking them on a tour of the station.

Upon arriving, each lady was given a small pamphlet outlining the course to be followed in touring the airport. W.D.'s then divided the crowd into small groups, each taking a group under her guidance for the afternoon.

Although it was not listed on the programme, we first visited the very clean and neat quarters of the W.D.'s. Some of the girls were trying to snatch a few winks as we chattered through their quarters, but none made any comment, at least while we were there.

Following this we were taken to the Motor Transport Section where Fn. Sgt. Woods gave us an exceptionally clear explanation how the huge service trucks, each having a capacity of 1,000 gallons refuel the planes. Everyone noted the cleanliness of the refueling apparatus, even though their trucks have been in constant use for some time.

We then journeyed on to the dental clinic, only to find another clean and tidy building, and Captain Nichol very busy filling an airman's teeth.

Next was the station hospital where we were shown the operating room, the laboratory the isolation ward and the general ward. There were very few patients and all seemed cheerful and smiling.

After leaving the hospital we were taken to the photographic section. Here Sgt. Ibbotson gave a very clear and educational talk on the Universal interchangeable camera, which, he said, was used on every second bomber in Britain. After explaining the action of other types of cameras, he led us into the musty "darkroom" where others were busy developing prints. The odor, he explained, was due to the chemicals used in the developing solutions. He showed how pictures were enlarged, how they were dried, and how they can be made to have a glossy finish. Sgt. Ibbotson is to be complimented on the thorough knowledge and keen interest which he shows in his work.

In the ground instructional school, pictures of different types of planes were flashed on the screen. This is known as "Aircraft Recognition Pictures." Needless to say, our aircraft recognizing ability was practically nil.

We then passed through the technical building under the guidance of Sgt.-Major O'Brien and went on to the clothing store where we were shown what clothes an airman is issued.

Immediately following this we entered the No. 1 hangar where we saw the wing of an airplane being repaired and got an idea of the size of several other planes.

A very interesting section of the building was the log room in which the records of planes are kept from the time they leave the factory until their duties are finished.

The parachute section was the next place visited. A parachute was opened up and repacked in order that we might get an idea of its size and colors. We were told the red sections almost always form a red cross on the ground, and can be readily discerned for some miles. These 'chutes are repacked every thirty days whether used or not, in case of oil, or insects causing deterioration.

Next we visited the control tower from which we could get a perfect view of the surrounding country and the planes circling overhead.

Our next stop was the R.C.A.S.C. where food is dealt out, and then the airmen's mess which consisted of very long tables at which the airmen eat, and a huge kitchen where their well-balanced meals are prepared.

The Y.M.C.A. but was our last stop. An enjoyable program consisting of piano selections by Gill Preston and Basil Sproule, with songs by Fernande Boris and Helen Kingston, had been prepared for our enjoyment. During the program a very tasty lunch was served to all present by the Women's Division. Among those present were Mrs. Bishop, Mrs. Neale, Mrs. Noble and Mrs. West, all of Calgary I.O.D.E.

Although there was a heavy downpour of rain, it did not check the enthusiasm of the sightseers who were determined to see everything—rain or shine. So great was the turnout of visitors, there was some talk of the W.D.'s having another "At Home" day in the near future for those who were unable to attend this one. Anyone who can, is well advised to go next time because the tour is not only instructive and educational, but also enlightens one as to the duties the airmen and airwomen perform which are so vital to winning this war.

LOCAL MILITIA AT SARCEE

Fifteen officers, n.c.o's and men of the local detachment of the 2nd Batt. Calgary Highlanders, left on Saturday night for Sarcee camp at Calgary where they will undergo two weeks of intensive training in all phases of army life. The training is to be climaxed by a three-day "bivouac" during which time a mock battle will be fought between two armies, in order that the boys will become better acquainted with actual battle maneouvres and tactics. The whole of this period will be spent out in the open, nights included, and it is generally hoped warm weather prevails.

Included among those attending are: Lieut. W. L. Irvine, C.Q.M.S., R. W. Simington; Sgt. J. L. Findlay, and Privates R. Nelson, Bob Hill, Bill Hill, R. G. Simington, L. Sales, D. Jantzie, V. Haga, S. Wiersma, W. Lundgren, I. Smith and J. C. Howe.

Sgt. D. McNiven and Pte. F. McNiven expect to follow later.

More than 1000 members of the Reserve army are encamped at Sarcee.

Why Withhold News Canucks in Sicily?

Puzzling Situation Brought Into Open in House of Commons

C.C.F. Leader Coldwell asked in the House of Commons why the announcement that the Canadian First Division was engaged in Sicily had to come from London or Washington. Prime Minister King said he had had to appeal to President Roosevelt to bring about an opportunity to make public from Canada the prompt announcement that Canadian troops were part of the Allied force that invaded Sicily.

It was disclosed that the Canadian Dept. of Defence had had the information of Canadian participation in Sicilian invasion for four weeks. On July 15, Col. Ralston had the names of Canadian commanders and the units involved, but felt bound to wait an announcement from Allied headquarters in Africa before telling the Canadian people.

The Canadian goverment had been informed that for reasons of security, secrecy about Canadian participation should be maintained. There would be reference to U.S. and British forces but no reference to Canadians, and Canadians were omitted from the broadcast to French and Italian people.

Two days before the attack on Sicily, Prime Minister King had protested this policy through the Canadian high commissioner in London. He knew of no reason why Canadians should not be mentioned and the information given to Canadian people. But no satisfaction could be got in London. Mr. King then got in touch with President Roosevelt and through him General Eisenhower was instructed to include Canadians in his first announcement. Later Mr. King urged London that in view of the President's promise he should not be precluded from making announcement to the Canadian people, but the British authorities would not change their ruling. So the first word about Canadians came from U.S. military headquarters.

Col. Ralston in not giving out the names of Canadian commanders and numbers engaged, admitted it was difficult to realize why this information could not be given the Canadian people. He had been arguing the point with authorities since July 1 but unsuccessfully. Neither he nor Mr. King understood the reason back of the secrecy.

Combines Crop After 10 Months

W. C. Ebbert of Nanton is harvesting some of his 1942 crop with a combine ten months after it first ripened.

Owing to the late ripening season last year, the wet condition of the soil, and the labor shortage, Mr. Ebbert was unable to harvest his crop until now. The stand was very heavy and badly tangled, but by putting three-foot wooden extensions on the guards, he is able to raise the tangled grain so that the combine will cut it.

The grain is badly bleached and shows some effects of frost. The wheat will probbaly grade No. 4 or 5. Had it been cut last fall it would have yielded around 35 bushels to the acre; now it is yielding about 20.—Calgary Herald.

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Also large stock of second-hand furniture including beds, stoves, kitchen ranges, chairs, lounges, kitchen furniture, etc. See M. O. Peterson at the Bargain Store.

WANTED—Girl for the laundry at Vulcan Municpal Hospital. $40.00 per month. Apply to the Matron, Vulcan Hospital.

Vulcan houses for sale—one modern. Early possession. Prices reasonable. Apply W. A. Howes, solicitor.

Will the person who borrowed the Spray Pump last fall belonging to the Vulcan Co-op kindly return same and oblige the manager, Mr. L. F. Dawson. 50-1-c

Church Notes

ANGLICAN CHURCH

The date for the Consecration of the Very Rev. H. R. Ragg as Bishop of Calgary, has been set for Tuesday, 24th August.

Services in St. Aldhelm's Church on Sunday 25th July, St. James' Day, will be Holy Communion at 8.30 and Tvensong at .30. There will be no service at 11 a.m. Lomond service is at 3 o'clock.

Canon Winter will be on vacation from 26th July till 14th August, the church will therefore be closed on the first and eighth of the latter.

NEWS OF INTEREST

A new Canadian organization has been set up to dispense one billion dollars of Canadian money to help the Allies in the war. This will include food and munitions. Russia wants wheat and flour, China the same and the difficulty here is in transportation.

The Communist party is still a banned organization in Canada.

Canadian employees of American contracting firms in the north are asking the Western War Labor Board the same rate of pay as American workers. Their pay is from 33 1/3 to 50% lower than Americans.

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CANADIANS IN ACTION

ALTHOUGH the participation of the first division of Canadians in the invasion of Sicily, brings intensified anxiety to many families at home, it is a fulfilment for the men who have been training in England for long wearisome months and years. One of the officers who has been some years overseas without a whiff of real action, wrote home not long ago saying that one of the minor miracles of the war has been the maintenance of morale and orderliness of the Canadian troops training for years in England. In his opinion, no matter what may lie ahead in the way of combat or achievement, the long period of waiting in England will emerge as a great test of calibre. Canadians who enlisted shortly after the outbreak of war, were eager to get overseas, to get into real action and get it over with, and, if all went well, to return home to peace. If they had been told in advance that three years of training and camp life in England lay ahead of them, most of them would have considered the prospect unendurable. But they have endured it, and with grace. Now many of them are at last realizing their original purpose.

They are fighting as a part of General Montgomery's Eighth Army, well trained and well armed and eager for combat. There will be no doubt as to their courage and initiative.

After the first stages of the invasion, General Montgomery said: "The Canadians were terrific on the beaches and in inland attack. I am always glad to have Canadians round. I knew them well in England you know." He predicted that although the men might be disappointed at the lack of resistance on the part of Italians in the early phases they would get "a bellyful of fighting before they are through." Those at home will have confidence that their boys could be under no more competent high command than General Montgomery no matter what may come.

There is still no declaration that the advance into Sicily is to be the point of main invasion of Hitler's Europe. Opinon is still strong that the most powerful thrust will be from the direct west. In any event, it is practically certain that the Canadian army will be no inconsiderable part of any attack. This will call for increasing re-enforcements.

There is no way to end the war but by offensive action, and offensive action means loss of life, and many wounded. This translates itself always into bereaved homes and sorrowing relatives. So far, it has been mainly in the R.C.A.F. that Canadian lives have been lost. But the period of comparative safety for the army is now over. Courage for what may lie ahead is required not only of the men on the battle line, but also from those waiting at home.

NATURE KNOWS BEST

"THIS will be the last year that the government will pay a bonus for not growing wheat." Such statement is frequently heard, and few are ready to take issue with it. Developments long anticipated by farmers themselves may become realities. Crop reports of the west bring drought conditions into the picture on a larger scale than for some years. Some of the best wheat area is likely to have light yield, and the general wheat prospect is little better than fair. It is quite possible that we may be entering on a light yield cycle in which nature places its own restriction on production.

The war has reached a stage in which peoples of occurpied countries may be released much more quickly than was anticipated six months ago, or even three months ago. It is quite possible that vast quantities of wheat may be required ere long, and this demand will multiply as the campaign of freeing enslaved people progresses. There are almost unlimited wheat needs in prospect for a few years at least. When some of the nations are reorganized and restored to a measure of self-sustainment, wheat surpluses may again become a headache, unless an international body has developed some orderly program by that time. But for the near future, the importance of wheat seems undisputed.

Condition in United States always have their bearing on Canadian production. It is said that corn production is below last year across the line, and wheat will be used extensively as stock feed. Livestock has increased greatly in United States and must be fed or sacrificed.

To turn back to Western Canada again, much of the area in which fair yields may be expected has a late crop, which may yet be frosted producing only low grades fit for feed.

Every bushel of wheat now on hand, particularly of good quality, may prove well worth conserving. Alberta farmers now delivering on open market are getting round 13 cents more a bushel than the initial Wheat Board payment, but those who have delivered their quota are not in position to take advantage of this rise.

In the meantime the grain of necessity being held on the farms owing to storage shortage, constitutes a worry. In makeshift granaries there is loss from mice and the mite threat is present, even in a well-fitted storage bin. But from the present outlook, every bushel may be worth guarding.

CANADIAN INCOME TAX

THE Estevan Mercury commenting on the income tax headache from which Canadians are emerging, says:

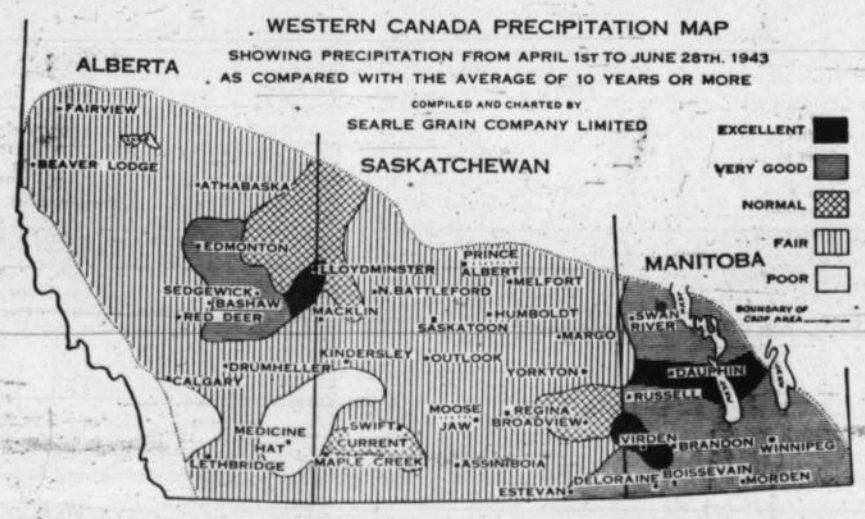
"It comes as a surprise to most people to know that the Canadian Income Tax at the present time is one of the highest in the world, being in most cases about double that of the United States and higher even than that of Great Britain.

"Everywhere the income tax is so complicated that it is impossible to say that the Canadian rate is forty per cent., the British thirty per cent., and the United States twenty per cent., but a few comparisons can be made. For a single man earning $1,000 in Canada, the tax is $172.00, in United States $113.00, and in Great Britain $177.00. If he earns $2,500.00 he pays in Canada $826.00. in U.S. $473.00, in Great Britain $819.00.

"Comparisons of a married man with two children show that if he earns $1,500.00 he pays in Canada $49.00, in U.S. $52.00, and in Great Britain $91.00; if he earns $2,500 he pays in Canada, $435.00, in U.S. $206.00 and in Great Britain $463.00; if he earns $4,000.00 he pays in Canada $1,148.00, in U.S. $569.00 and in Great Britain $1,138.00; if he earns $10,000 he pays in Canada $4,546.00, in U.S. $2,439.00, and in Great Britain $4,114.00.

"If there is such a thing as a saturation point in income tax, Canada must have passed it long ago."

Enlist Now!



The map printed above shows the distribution of the rains which have fallen from April 1st to June 28th. It will be observed that with the exception of one good area east of Red Deer and Edmonton extending into Saskatchewan, and two poor areas—one south of Calgary and the other in the Medicine Hat district extending upwards into Saskatchewan — the growing season precipitation in Alberta and Saskatchewan can only be described as fair. Most parts of Manitoba have received better than normal rainfall.

The map shows the distribution of this growing season rainfall only. If to this, however, we add the reserves that were present in the soil stored up from last fall, and on summerfallowed land additional rains from the whole of the previous year, then we find that the total moisture condition for Alberta is now 91% of normal, as compared with 95% a year ago. For Saskatchewan it is 102% of normal, as compared with 94% a year ago, and for Manitoba it is 118% of normal, as compared with 126% a year ago.

Combining the three provinces together we estimate the moisture condition now to be 100% of normal, as compared with 98% at this time a year ago.

General moisture conditions throughout Crop Division 4 (which includes the Vulcan district), however, are only fair to poor. Wheat is reported standing 10 to 15 inches in height and high yields cannot be expected. Coarse grains and flax are fair. Cereal crops are from 30 to 80% in the shot blade, and in drier areas, some are beginning to head. Considerable drought damage is evident, though in some cases, cool weather has prevented burning. Hay crops are still fair though pastures are generally classed as fair to poor. There is no damage by hail reported, though slight weed damage is noted. Condition of poultry and livestock throughout this district is satisfactory.

Precipitation figures recently released show Vulcan during the past two weeks had only .30 as compared with the normal of 1.30. Actual total since April first is only 2.81, while the normal amount is 5.45.

PERTINENT TOPICS

DISCUSSED BY H.C.

When it was announced that after going to the trouble and expense of taking the census, the government has decided to postpone the redistribution based upon it, the conclusion was reached that the underlying course was that under it Manitoba would lose three seats and Saskatchewan four. The real cause disclosed itself later when the Quebec Legislature unanimously protested against it and the Minister of Justice presented his brief for increased representation for Quebec. Postponement was made on account of the struggle that would have taken place on the measure, not because Manitoba and Saskatchewan would have to take fewer seats but because Quebec was determined to have more.

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Thus is Mr. King receiving the same treatment from his French followers that Mr. Roosevelt is receiving from the labor unions that he pampered for ten years. Concession after concession have been granted the French and instead of receiving lasting gratitude, Mr. King is presented with new demands which, if not granted, will incur their lasting displeasure. The horse-leech cries Give Give and is never satisfied.

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The truth is that the nationalist movement which they promoted and upon which they thrived for a quarter century has become a Frankenstein for the Liberals, It wiped out all serious opposition until opposition leaders discovered that if they were to get anywhere politically they would have to outbid the Liberals for that vote. Today neither the government leaders at Ottawa or Quebec can afford to let Duplessis or Roy or Dorion or Raymond or Lacombe outbid them. That accounts for several unanimous votes in the Quebec Legislature on purely federal issues. It accounts for St. Laurent's break in the Commons. They made of Quebec what the Nazis made of Germany and the Fascists made of Italy. Practically the whole population is obsessed with a sense of grievance and with delusions of racial superiority.

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Short time ago, the Winnipeg Free Press attacked the man-power policy, or performance, at Ottawa and a few days later, Mr. Bracken did the same, followed in a few days by an attack by the F.P. on Bracken for attacking the man-power policy of the government. So many fond old grandmothers are like that. They don't mind scolding or even spanking their own brats but they hate to see it done by others.

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Here is a man writing to a newspaper suggesting that the speeches precede the banquet. We did not read the article through but we suspect it is another piece of advertising to conserve food.

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Attending a prize fight once, we overheard two men behind us discussing the preliminary bouts which were rather tame affairs, and one of them made the suggestion that the main event should be brought on first and the preliminaries afterwards.

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We heard a clergyman, preaching from the text "Vengeance is mine, I will repay, saith the Lord," denounce the tendency of mere men to take over that prerogative so as to have revenge on the Nazis. We have heard and read of Nazis in Germany seeking to make friends with British prisoners who will vouch for them after the war is over. They are not counting on vengeance coming direct from the Lord.

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The Prime Minister told the Commons that there is no agency better qualified to give them the news than the press. Rev. Dr. Thomson, chairman of the CBC, knows this, too, but cannot afford to admit it.

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An editor of the New York Daily News has been indicted for being an agent of Japan without notifying the U.S. government. The prosecuting attorney went out of his way to acquit the editorial staff of any knowledge of such enemy connection. The Daily News is a full cousin of the Chicago Tribune and has pursued precisely the same disloyal course without apology and without repentance. It is immaterial whether they are in enemy pay—they are doing enemy work.

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A Canadian surgeon serving at Salonika in the other war, was called out of his tent once to see a rainbow at midnight. "This is something to write home about" said the disturbing officer to which the surgeon replied: "My reputation at home won't stand for a rainbow at night." A short time ago, a man claimed to have seen two sunrises and two sunsets in one day and it was true. He is a pilot flying out of Iceland.

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There is nothing new or strange in the DeGaulle-Giraud tangle. It was experienced first by the manager who thought to star two prima donnas in the same opera.

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Moscow despatches express pleasure in the Sicilian landing but are careful to add that it is really not a second front. Our Russian allies are valiant fighters and their political leaders are determined that the bulk of the praise and glory shall go to themselves when victory is won. No second front is acceptable except one on some German frontier and we are a long way from that. So are they.

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A curious election is going on in Ontario. The Legislature decided against one but a shuffle in the Premiership decided the other way. Mr. Hepburn who is against the party in Ottawa fell foul of some of his followers in the province and resigned, and Mr. Nixon, a King man, succeeded, and is appealing to the electors on the record of the Premier he helped to depose, and Mr. Hepburn is running as an independent Liberal in his Elgin riding. In accepting the nomination he, as usual, attacked the King government but is quite consistent in giving general support to Nixon. God helping him he could do no other, seeing that Nixon is appealing for votes on the Hepburn record.

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In other ways it is a mixed-up affair. The ex-Speaker who said he and many more Canadians are in favor with annexation with the United States, was renominated without opposition and a member of the Cabinet was there to sponsor him. In an adjoining riding, an ex-Cabinet Minister (a Jewish soldier by the way) took issue with the ex-Speaker on that point and is again the government candidate. By statute, soldiers are given the privilege of voting by proxy but at this writing proxies from overseas have not arrived and it is certain that none will arrive from North Africa or Sicily. Mr. Nixon had competent advice as to timing but the impetuosity of the Allies or Russian pressure for another front queered the works for an election dated August 4th the anniversary of the other great war.

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New Upland hay brings $14.50 per ton around Calgary. Hay cutting is the main activity on many farms in the foothills country. Cutting has been confined to upland but in another week, with good weather, hay harvesting should be well under way.

Many Alberta eggs are now going to northern projects, and there have been heavy exports to the Pacific coast.

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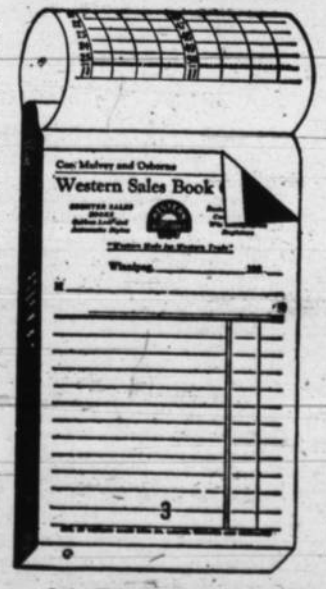
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How To Stretch Your Canning Sugar

The burning question of the day is how to can 35 to 40 quarts of fruit for each member of the family with 10 lbs. of sugar and still have a little for jam or jelly. Thirty-five to forty quarts of fruit per person may seem a lot, but if you are following Canada's official food rules you will use this much and more.

The following suggestions are made by Miss Vera Richards of the Department of Agriculture Extension Service.

1. With a syrup of ¾ cup sugar to 1 cup water (a little better than a thin syrup) you will have sufficient syrup for 1 quart of large fruit. This would preserve 26 2/3 quarts of fruit with 10 lbs. of sugar. But small fruit requires less syrup and ½ cup sugar to ½ cup water would give us sufficient syrup for 1 quart of small fruit. With this syrup we could preserve 40 qts. of small fruit. Hence we can expect to preserve at least 30 quarts of small fruit with our 10 lbs. of sugar. However, when sugar was a big item on our fall budget many found a thin syrup at least 60 quarts of fruits could be preserved.

2. Sugar is not necessary for the actual preservation of canned fruits. It is perfect processing and perfect sealing that counts. Fruits may be canned without sugar, preferably in their own juices—if the fruit is not of the juicy type, but some sugar may be salvaged from your ration, or honey or syrup used. If these are not available then you may feel justified in using saccharine for sweetening. It has no food value and should not be used if sugar or honey is available. Do not cook a product with saccharine in it as a very bitter flavour will result.

3. Fruit may be canned with honey. Rural people who have their own honey should certainly plan to use some for canning. Honey intensifies the flavour of fruit and some prefer a syrup of half honey and half sugar. Jams, jellies and pickles are especially good made with honey. Send for our leaflet with directions for canning with honey.

4. An economical way to use canning sugar is to add a small amount directly to the fruit. The fruit does not look quite as attractive as syrup method products but for those to whom flavour is important this may be preferable to a thin sugar and water syrup.

5. Can Fruit Salad combining some of the sweeter fruits with the more sour fruits.

6. Rather than make thick jam and jelly—prepare the fruit as a syrup using less sugar and not cooking quite as long. This saves sugar and gives a larger quantity—use for pancakes, waffles, muffins, etc.

Members of the Senate are advocating better protection for producers of livestock, and public ownership of stockyards was advocated. There were views expressed from all parts of Canada. United States papers are giving space to the Canadian part in the Sicilian invasion.

NATIONAL SELECTIVE SERVICE

Fourth Compulsory Employment Transfer Order

A Direction to Specified Employers and Employees

This Order applies to any young man who is 16, 17 or 18 years of age, and who is working at any one of the employments specified in this notice. It is also directed to the present employers of these young men.

A. Objective:

The Order provides for the transfer of the young men affected, to work which is of more importance to Canada's war effort. Transfers will be made after taking into account the health and domestic circumstances of these young men.

B. YOUNG MEN WHO ARE AFFECTED:

Every young man who is in any one of the employments specified, who has reached his 16th birthday but has not reached his 19th birthday, is covered by this Order.

C. EMPLOYMENTS SPECIFIED IN THE ORDER:

This Order applies to the young men described above if now employed in any of these occupations:

(1) Any occupation in or associated with the following: (a) barber shops and beauty parlours; (b) distilling alcohol for beverage; (c) dyeing, cleaning and pressing, baths, guide service, shoe shining; (d) entertainment, including but not restricted to theatres, film agencies, motion picture companies, clubs, bowling alleys, pool rooms; (e) operation of ice cream parlours and soda fountains; (f) manufacture of feathers, plumes and artificial flowers, chewing gum, wine, lace goods, greeting cards, jewelry; (g) retail stores; (h) factory production of statuary and art goods; (i) retail and wholesale florists; (j) retail sale of confectionery, candy, tobacco, books, stationery, news; (k) retail sale of motor vehicles or accessories; (l) retail sale of sporting goods or musical instruments; (m) service stations (gasoline-filling stations); (n) taverns, liquor, wine and beer stores.

(2) Bus boy; charman and cleaner; custom furrier; dancing teacher; dish washer; domestic servant; doorman and starter; elevator operator; greens keeper; grounds keeper; hotel bell boy; porter (other than in railway train service); private chauffeur; taxi driver; waiter.

D. How the Order affects Young Men still attending School:

Young men in the age groups mentioned, now employed, will not be interfered with insofar as returning to school at the opening of the school session in the Autumn is concerned; but young men in the age classes covered, who are now working during their summer vacation, must comply with this Compulsory Order.

E. Procedure to be followed:

All men as defined above must report to an Employment and Selective Service Office not later than July 24th, 1943. Men resident outside a city or town having an Employment and Selective Service Office, who are too far removed to call personally at such an Office, may write to the nearest office in the first instance, and await further directions.

F. Appeals:

If directed to transfer to employment subsequent to interview, a man may, if he objects, enter appeal with a Court of Referees, within 7 days of receiving such direction.

G. Penalties:

Penalties are provided for employers who retain, or take into their employ, after July 24th, 1943, any man covered by this Order except under special permit. Also, penalties are provided for failure of an employee covered by the Order, to register or follow a subsequent direction to employment.

H. Authority:

This Order is issued under authority conferred on the Minister of Labour by National Selective Service Civilian Regulation (P.C. 246 of January 19th, 1943, and amending Orders in Council).

Employers or employees uncertain of the application of this Order in a particular case are advised to communicate immediately with the nearest Employment and Selective Service Office.

Attention is directed to the fact that the Third Compulsory Order, which contains a list of occupations different form the above, also requires certain young men 16, 17 and 18 years of age to report to National Selective Service.

DEPARTMENT OF LABOUR

HUMPHREY MITCHELL, *Minister of Labour*

Director, National Selective Service A. MacNAMARA.

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Bob Edwards "Eye Opener"

Albert Buzzard Cholmondeley, writing to his father, Sir John Buzzard Cholmondeley of Skookingham Hall, has triumphed over Canadian adversity and is now a prominent citizen of Calgary, running for parliament

Albert Buzzard Cholmondeley, the badly made son of a noble English family suffered incredible hardships in Canada, and his checkered career resulted in many letters home and many appeals. However, at long last came the day when Albert rose above his past, and emerged as a leading citizen. His letter to his father records his triumph and predicts a rosy future in the political world.

Calgary, N.W.T.
Nov. 24, 1904

To Sir John Buzzard Cholmondeley,
Skookingham Hall,
Skookingham, Hants, England.

My Dear Father:-

When last I wrote you I was running the Black Cobra distillery full blast. Since then I have sold out my interest and am at present worth all of $50,000. As a result of this pleasant accession of wealth, I am resolved to branch out and return to England crowned with laurels and with honors thick upon me. With this aim in view, I will first enter the Dominion parliament, running on a prohibition ticket. With my money, my chances for election are excellent.

The prohibition ticket I am running on is sure to prove a winner as the liquid I am prohibiting is water. My committee is a very influential one beng composed of all the bartenders in town. Every man who steps into a hotel is presented with a quart of Black Cobra with "Vote for Buzzard Cholmondeley" blown in the bottle. In addition there is a free distribution of my electoral address which is as follows:

Fellow citizens: In soliciting your suffrage I beg to state that my attitude on all public matters will be unswerving loyalty to my own interests. I believe in a public man getting out of it all there is in it. Let us be honest in our villainy. What is the use of my telling you I will stand only for clean government when you know and I know that if opportunity to make a stake presents itself, I will drop on it like a bee on a posy. As a good straightforward grafter I expect to make my mark in the House.

"I am a prohibitionist. What I propose prohibiting is the reckless use of water . It's effect on health, habits and moral character is disastrous. Look at the interminable series of typhoid fever cases with which our hospitals are filled; people dying who never died before; young men and maidens going to a watery grave. Every sample of this horrible, germ-laden liquid show unaccountable numbers of colon bacilli and other bacteria including polly wogs. I recommend to your notice a stiff rasping drink of Black Cobra which can outfight any germ in Calgary.

"I propose to erect a beer fountain at my own expense in the C.P.R. gardens to play all the time instead of a band. I am in favor of appointing water anayists with full power to prosecute those who distribute this typhoid fever dope through the town.

"I am in favor of rustling on the range if you can get away with it. Every appeal to me by convicted horse thieves will be promptly attended to. Alibis will be provided for train robbers, thugs, murderers and members of the city council, the Bureau of the Prohibition Association, free of charge. A bottle of Black Cobra will be presented to every constituent tangled up in any scrape; two bottles to all doubtful voters, and three bottles to all ballot stuffers. That is my schedule.

"On this platform I appeal for your support, and ask you to call at the committee rooms.

Albert Buzzard Cholmondeley"

Perhaps father you think I am unduly frank in my address, but the rank and file of the voting public in Canada has reached such a pitch of exasperation with flannel mouths that they will welcome to their bosom an honest grafter.

In addition to the allurements of my platform, my money barrel will talk. Money talks without stammering in this country. We have no aristocratic parents, no stars and garters, hence the money standard.

Graft is the rule. Boodle is the stake. If I should tell the people I would not tolerate that sort of thing they would instinctively distrust me. My Bismarckian frankness will win the day. When I get in my fine work at Ottawa on the rake-off pile I shall not be ashamed to meet my constituents.

I shall side in the House with the party in power because usually the cleverest rogues stand in with that party.

The beer fountain in the C.P.R. park I shall open one week before election. The people will think it will flow forever, but the morning after the election, I shall turn it off. I shall hand them out their own Canadian medicine as used with effect by all elected members and shall say "Ha, has, you can go to blazes. You've elected me and I'll do as I damn well please for the next six years. Go chase yourselves."

So father you may expect a visit from me in the fall when you can introduce me as the member for Calgary.

Your affectionate son,
—A. B. C.

Canadians In Invasion Force

Vast Armada of British, Americans and Canadians in Offensive and Successful Action on Italian Island

War news this week has taken on new intensity, with the invasion of Sicily and the participation of Canadian troops, together wth British and Americans. How many Canadian units are involved in action has not been stated, but a proportion at least of those who have been training in England are at last in the forefront of battle. There is till anxious speculation on the Canadian strength, and the identity of the troops, but it is known that Canadian re-enforcements in great numbers have been landed in North Africa.

So far the Allied invasion has been going favorably. Bridgeheads have been successfully established, and several important airfields captured.

British and American air-borne troops landed by parachute and glider, hours before ground forces arrived. More than 2000 vessels were involved in landing operations in great convoys, each ship reaching its scheduled beach at the right minute.

One hundred miles along south-eastern Sicily shores were stormed with little loss in life or equipment, according to first bulletins.

With capture of Pachino and Syracuse the forces are moving inland and engaged in capturing Catania. Contact has been made with German troops, and a more difficult phase of battle is expected.

English and Canadian troops are fighting in one sector, while in another the Canadian and American attack is being consolidated.

Parachutists had a most difficult time, as they were carried out of their way by a gale, and landed at scattered points, finally having to surrender after all ammunition was spent.

Although it is predicted that the capture of Sicily may present no great difficulty, official opinion in London warns that big and costly battles may be inevitable.

Electricity For Alberta Farms

At the annual convention of Central Alberta Dairy Pool, one resolution urged development of cheap electricity for farms, in the following terms:

"Whereas, next to fair prices for farm products and reasonable prices for farm machinery, there are no measures which would be of greater assistance to Agriculture or would exert a greater influence in keeping many of our young people on the farms than the provision of low cost electricity for each farm, and the building and maintaining of many more all-weather roads;

"Therefore, be it resolved that we respectfully urge our government and all municipal bodies concerned with planning for post-war prosperity, to place cheap electricity for the farm and the building of all-weather roads in the forefront of their programs, rather than the spending of funds upon any impressive buildings which may not be urgently required; and

"Be it resolved, further, that we request every one of our members to promote actively in his home sphere the objects set forth in this resolution."

MILO NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. F. Winkler and baby son Dayrl were week-end visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Ivers.

Mrs. George Vennesland is at present at Brooks visiting her daughter, Mrs. A. Turloch who is under the doctor's care.

The Alberta Wheat Pool held a public meeting. Films were shown and Mr. V. J. Bertrand and Mr. Coote, former member of parliament, under the U.F.A., now of Nanton, were the speakers. Mr. Coote dwelt largely upon the newly formed Federation of Agriculture and its importance to the western farmer. He expressed as his belief, that there was little likelihood of any utopian state arising after the war.

Miss Harriet Engen, daughter of Art and Mrs. Engen, has become a member of the staff of the Bank of Nova Scotia at this point.

Mrs. G. Williams and family along with Mrs. Lebeau of Vulcan, are vacationing at Gull Lake.

Mr. and Mrs. Beechman were recent visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. James Mair, now of Calgary, recently of Milo.

We regret to report that Douglas Hardwick of Armada, is a patient at the Holy Cross hospital at Calgary and has undergone an operation on his jaw.

Visitors to the Arbuthnott Ranch, Queenstown's earliest postoffice, include Mr. and Mrs. Millie of Fox Valley, Saskatchewan; Mrs. Kent and daughter Jean of Washington, and Miss Helen Hardwick of Armadt.

Recent showers have added a little to the crop prospects in this district, although it now appears that the stubbled-in crops will scarcely pay the harvesting. In the words of one old-timer "It mostly clouds up and rains a dry shower."

J. L. Butler of Arrowwood district marketed 65 hogs in Calgary recently.

C.P.R. Saves Rubber With New Machine



SHOWN above, with the safety guard removed from the knife for this picture only, to illustrate the operation of the cutter, is a new machine developed at the Canadian Pacific Railway's Angus Shops in Montreal as part of a programme for reclaiming rubber, latest phase of the company's Dominion-wide conservation campaign. The machine prepares worn and burst sections of rubber hose from air and signal connections to be put back into service. The good sections of the used hose are spliced with the aid of a small malleable iron adapter and the reclaimed product meets all safety requirements. In the short time the programme has been in effect five and one-half tons of rubber have been saved with 5,394 air hose and 1,058 signal hose reclaimed to make up that total, according to H. B. Bowen, chief of motive power and rolling stock, who is in charge of the rubber-saving plan. Over the year it is estimated there will be a saving of 30 per cent. in the rubber hose used on the 84,139 pieces of company rolling stock — with locomotives, passenger equipment, freight and work cars included in that total.

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THIS year the Canadian Farmer urgently needs help. He needs *your* help to produce the food so necessary for victory. Many thousands of farm workers are serving in the Forces, so that the farmer—the Soldier of the Soil—is shorthanded, but shorthanded as he is, he is called upon to produce more food than ever before. Food is one of the most powerful weapons of war. Grains, bacon, dairy products, eggs, beef, fruit, vegetables—FOOD to feed our armies, our allies and our people we must have.

WHAT CAN YOU DO?

You may be a school teacher, student, business or professional man, an office or store clerk—no matter what you are, if you have a few hours, days, weeks, or months of free time this summer, you can do your country and the farmer a great and patriotic service by helping out on the farm. You may be inexperienced, but you still can help. You will find work on the farm healthy and congenial. It will give you the satisfaction of feeling that you have brought Victory nearer.

What you should do NOW!

Consult any special local committee or office established to deal with farm labour placements in your city or town; or
Write the Director of the Dominion-Provincial Farm Labour Program at the Capital of your province; or
Get in touch with your nearest Employment and Selective Service Office.

DEPARTMENT OF LABOUR

HUMPHREY MITCHELL, *Minister of Labour* — A. MacNAMARA, *Director, National Selective Service*

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Crop Survey Shows Great Variation

Province Ranges From Drought to Too Much Moisture. Wheat Areas Poor to Fair

The provincial crop reports show little prospects of big grain yield at any point, and the areas which produce best quality wheat have suffered to varying extent from drought. This has reached serious proportions in Southern Alberta, particularly in the south-eastern section. From Brooks and Medicine Hat to the boundary moisture conditions are said to be acute, and rain has been seriously needed in the Vulcan area eastward and south to the boundary. South of Youngstown in the eastern part of the province is also dry.

Crops in the area from Calgary to Olds have had plenty of moisture and for the most part good growth is the rule. Wheat, oats and barley are reported good and flax crop excellent. Pastures are very good.

From Olds to Camrose there is abundant moisture but delayed seeding has made some crops backward. Some areas complain of excess moisture.

There has been plenty of moisture round Edmonton with growing conditions very good. A wet spring delayed seeding and crops are about 10 days later than normal.

Round High Prairie and southward, moisture conditions are good, and crops are advancing rapidly.

Due to the declining prospect for pastures and hay crops it is said that farmers near Medicine Hat are selling cattle under necessity and some are turning cattle into grain fields. In other dry sections there is concern over ability of pastures to carry the livestock which has been built up.

Fishing Takes A Turn For Better

Fishermen are beginning to come into their own. The water is clearing and modest luck is being reported from all quarters. Parties up the Highwood and up Willow Creek got fair catches last week, returning with nice sized trout. It is said that cutthroats predominated in the catch. There has also been fair fishing on the river near town. Every man has his own favorite pool where he has felt the tug on the line and has landed a prize. There are stories of the juvenile fishermen pulling out trout that long——well, anyway, this long—— round the railroad bridge or similar nearby haunts.

Those who go at things in a statistical way figure that there ought to be plenty of fish this year as very few were taken last season. Anyway the news from the fishing front is encouraging, and there may be real sport in succeeding weeks.

Early Payment On Wheat Reduction

The wheat acreage reduction administration desires to make acreage reduction bonus payments to farmers as early as possible this year and to make sure that every eligible farmer gets the bonus, W. G. Barrie, superintendent of the administration, said.

He said some 65,000 Alberta farmers are expected to file claims this year, against 55,000 last year.

e announced final payments on grass and rye for 1942 will be made as soon after July 1 as the farmer files his claim, after which inspection will be made.

This year $2 an acre will be paid the farm operator for every acre taken out of wheat production, based on his 1940 acres sown to wheat, the superintendent said.

Press and radio censorship in Canada cost $106,645 last year.

U.S. navy doctors in their research have found an anti-flu serum which they believe is a successful answer to this disease. It is an anti-serum inhaled directly into the lungs.

The Okotoks school board received an application from a man who had completed the fifth grade at school and thought he was thus quite qualified to teach Grades 1 and 2.

Even Coyotes Follow The News

Mrs. Tait of Blackie has discovered that even coyotes like their bit of reading, and their taste runs to newspaper advertisements relating to food. While she was digging a couple of coyotes out of the side of a hill recently, she came across a clipping in their den which they appear to have cut out of the Calgary Herald. It was an advertisement of a chicken hatchery in Calgary, favorably located and well stocked.

Mrs. Tait suggests that the coyotes are also worried over meat rationing and are storing away any bit of information they can pick up on where to go if the food situation grows alarming.

Anyway it's nice to think that our furred brothers try to keep up with the times. One can picture old father coyote sitting in the quiet of the evening shrewdly studying the news column through his specs. He notes with interest the sheep flocks west of Cayley, the great increase in poultry out Dinton way, the good calf crop out in the hills. It quite cheers him. But to be on the safe side he carefully cuts out ads describing poultry and livestock for sale.

Bonuses To Western Farmers

"Best Bank Account in Canada is Bin of Wheat on Farm" Says Gardiner

Hon. James Gardiner, minister of agriculture, has told the House of Commons that $98,125,540 has been paid in 1942 in acreage payments and subsidies to farmers. The biggest items were 14½ million under Prairie Farm Assistance, 18 million to Prairie Farm Income and 32 million in wheat acreage reduction. The sum of almost 10 million was paid as feed freight assistance on coarse grains shipped from the west to eastern farms.

He spoke of the need of transporting 200 million bushels of oats and barley from the west to the east and United States before the new crop comes in.

Speaking of wheat, he said: "I think the best bank account in Canada today is a bin of wheat on the farm. I do not think that anyone should advise the farmer how he should dispose of his wheat. This year about 26 million dollars will be paid for acreage reduction to about 184,000 farmers."

He referred to the increase in flax acreage in the west with a much greater tonnage.

In relation to the price of beef, Mr. Gardiner explained that this was under the control of the Prices Board. Taking one place, Toronto, as an illustration, he said the selling price of complete carcasses was between 20 and 21 cents a pound. A flat ceiling on beef cuts is established throughout the year, and from May 27th to about the middle of August there is a floor at a quarter cent under the ceiling. The spread between the ceiling and floor increases to 2½ cents during September and October. The result is that on live cattle there can be a spread at widest point of about 1 cent a pound. There is an understanding that when the floor price is reached, the meat board will enter the market and buy. These purchases are to take care of the needs of deficiency areas in Canada and the surplus is to be shipped in frozen form to Britain.

Hitler's Luck Gone

(Lethbridge Herald)

Once the German people get the idea that Hitler's luck is going there may be a very rapid collapse of the whole Nazi structure.

Suppose Canada were under air attack that had forced the evacuation of 500,000 from the industrial areas of Ontario and Quebec.

Suppose the war factories that we had been building so laboriously and depending on for the munitions of war were being blasted away at the rate of millions of dollars' worth night after night.

Suppose that the navy, on which we were depending for a lifeline were being wiped out at a faster rate than we could replace the warships.

What do you suppose the people of Canada would be thinking? We had some months of very sober, very dark thoughts after Dunkirk and Hong Kong and Singapore. We wondered if we could ever catch up to the enemy war machine.

What must the Germans be thinking now? What can they see for the future?

Between 4,000,000 and 5,000,000 people have been evacuated from the Ruhr-Rhine industrial area.

Huge cities up to 800,000 population are being laid waste in a few nights, and hundreds of millions of dollars' worth of property, especially war factories, blown to bits.

And the U-boats, upon which the Germans were taught to count to prevent U.S. aid from reaching Britain, are being sunk at the rate of one a day, faster than they can be built and manned.

The Germans quit in 1918 when they were potentially stronger to fight the kind of war then being fought than they are to fight the kind of war which is right on their doorstep in this conflict.

Alberta Moisture 64 p.c. of Normal

In Alberta the precipitation which occurred from April 1st to July 12th is now 4% only of normal, compared with 66% last week. In Saskatchewan the condition is now 73% of normal, compared with 72% last week, and in Manitoba it is now 122% of normal, compared with 112% last week.

Combining this growing season's precipitation with the rains of last fall for stubble seeded crops, and adding to all this rains of the previous summer and the fall before that for crops which were sown on summerfallow, the total moisture condition is now as follows:

For Alberta 89% of normal, compared with 91% last week and 103% a year ago.

The whole of Alberta south of Calgary, together with an area somewhat north-east of Calgary, is in poor condition and needs rain badly. The same poor condition exists in west-central Saskatchewan. There is also an area only fair in the north-east corner of Saskatchewan. Apart from this the condition in almost all other districts is good, and in all Manitoba very good. Searle Grain Co.

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